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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Prices were unchanged. The market tone was mostly steady. Demand was mixed, light to good, mostly fair to moderate; with scattered feature activity usually generating the best interest. Supplies of the jumbo eggs were tight to close, and the extra large sizes were mostly adequate to occasionally tight. The large and smaller eggs were adequate to fully adequate, with the medium and smaller sizes in the longest position. Extreme heat and humidity continued to affect egg size and quality throughout the country. Breaking stock supplies were usually adequate from regular sources, and demand remained light for the adequate offerings of heavy nest run eggs. Lighter weight product was noted as increasing in availability. Light type hens were fully adequate to ample for current needs.

NORTH ATLANTIC All prices remained unchanged. The market tone was cautiously steady. Demand was fair to good, best where retail specials provided additional interest. Supplies were close for jumbos and in balance to adequate for extra large through small. Breaking stock supplies from regular sources were usually adequate for the light demand and buyers resisted to purchase at present price values. Offerings of light type hens were adequate to ample for current slaughter needs.

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged. The market tone was generally steady. Demand was fair to fairly good, best where specials were offered. Supplies were closely balanced to adequate.

MIDWEST Prices unchanged currently in the Midwest compared to Tuesday. Trade sentiment generally steady. Demand mixed, light to mostly moderate with the best attention centered around scattered retail features drawing consumer interest. Supplies were adequate to barely adequate on the larger sizes with the smaller sizes adequate. Jumbos and extra large eggs noted being in the tightest position. Central States nest run breaking stock prices were unchanged compared to Tuesday. Trading and demand was light on generally adequate offers of heavy nest run breaking stock. Lighter weight, including graded, product is becoming more available with some substandard quality shell eggs in the marketplace. Fair demand for finished product. Trade sentiment about steady.

CHICAGO Prices unchanged. Trade sentiment steady. Retail and food service demand mostly moderate, and best where scattered features are planned or in progress. Supplies adequate to barely adequate on larger sizes and adequate on the lighter weights as extreme hot and humid weather conditions affecting production and egg size.

SOUTHERN Prices were unchanged. The market tone was steady. Retail demand was generally fair to moderate entering the weekend. Supplies of jumbo eggs were tight, however, the extra large and large sizes were generally adequate for immediate needs. Medium eggs were adequate to fully adequate. Asking prices for next weeks deliveries were ranging unchanged to higher than the current week. Breaking stock supplies were usually adequate for the light demand. Offerings of light type hens were fully adequate to ample for current slaughter schedules.

<u>WEST COAST</u> Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was generally steady with some cautiousness noted. Asking prices for next week unchanged. Retail demand was mostly moderate. Offerings were adequate to fully adequate.

<u>PRICES TO RETAILERS</u> - SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

| NORTHEAST CITIES | EXTRA LARGE | LARGE | MEDIUM | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|---------|--|--|--|--|
| Boston (Brown) | 117-119 | 105-107 | 60-62 | | | | |
| New York | 85-87 | 82-85 | 46-49 | | | | |
| Philadelphia | 78.5-85 | 76.5-83 | 42.5-46 | | | | |
| SOUTHERN CITIES | | | | | | | |
| Atlanta (1) (2) | 75-76 | 73.5-75 | 38-39 | | | | |
| Jackson (1) | 88-89 | 82-83 | 45-46 | | | | |
| Major Louisiana Cities (1) | 85-95 | 79-93 | 45-59 | | | | |
| MIDWEST CITIES | | | | | | | |
| Chicago | 73-78 | 72-77 | 37-42 | | | | |
| Detroit (2) | 70-73 | 69-72 | 33-36 | | | | |
| Major Ohio Cities (2) | 71-76 | 70-74 | 34-39 | | | | |
| Major Wisconsin Cities | 74-82 | 62-73 | 37-44 | | | | |
| WESTERN CITIES | | | | | | | |
| Houston (1) | 93-95 | 87-89 | 53-54 | | | | |
| Southern California(Grade | AA)(4) 99-111 | 95-102 | 65-71 | | | | |
| California (Grade AA) (1) (3) |) 115 | 105 | 75 | | | | |
| (1) - Prices Reported Week | ly (3) - Repo | (3) - Reported Invoice Prices | | | | | |

(1) - Prices Reported Weekly(2) - Delivered Warehouse(3) - Reported Invoice Prices(4) - Prices To Retailers

<u>CALIFORNIA</u> Prices unchanged. The market tone was generally steady with asking prices for next week unchanged. Retail demand was light to moderate, best where features were planned. Offerings adequate to fully adequate. Small invoice price 55. Ads in Southern California: smaller outlets-jumbo dozen 129, extra large dozen 119, large dozen 99 and medium dozen 69.

PRICES INVOICE, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, IN CARTONS,

CENTS PER DOZEN. RANGE
JUMBO 127
EXTRA LARGE 115
LARGE 105
MEDIUM 75

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

| | RANGE |
|------------------------|---------|
| JUMBO | 114-124 |
| EXTRA LARGE | 99-111 |
| LARGE | 95-102 |
| MEDIUM | 65-71 |
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PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS,

 CENTS PER DOZEN.
 RANGE

 JUMBO
 229-289

 EXTRA LARGE
 219-279

 LARGE
 199-209

 MEDIUM
 169-205

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Prices unchanged. Light trading and demand on generally adequate offers of heavy nest run breaking stock. Lighter weight product and graded product offerings increasing. Some breakers reporting poor quality shell eggs. Finished product demand only fair. Trade sentiment about steady. PRICES PAID TO 11:00 A.M., MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

RANGE MOSTLY

NEST RUN 42-45 43-44 CHECKS & UNDERGRADES 27-29 28

CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND,

NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI

EASTERN REGION BREAKING STOCK Prices were unchanged to lower. The market tone was steady to barely steady. Demand continued light and buyers resisted current price levels. Supplies from regular sources were usually adequate. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending July 24, 1999 were 1% less than last week, and 8% less than the same week last year. Schedules were normal.

PRICES MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

RANGE

NEST RUN 42-45 CHECKS & UNDERGRADES 25-29

EASTERN REGION AREA: AL,CT,DE,FL,GA,KY,ME,MD,MA,MS,NH,

NJ,NY,NC,PA,RI,SC,TN,VT,VA,WV

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 24-JUL-99 (LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS) CASES LIQUID LIQUID LIQUID DRIED INED. BROKEN WHOLE WHITE YOLK CW 1,088,863 26,278 9,924 4,849 2,413 3,483 1,104,967 9,997 5,140 2,709 *3,672* PW 26,772 9,967 5,107 LY 1,052,714 24,014 2,361 3,534 %PW -2 -1 -1 -6 -11 -5 % LY 9 0 -5 2 1999 31,490,508 730,155 304,647 167,005 76,345*98,929* 1998 30,356,008 686,823 303,565 164,293 77,114 98,081

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -

| CURRENT | PREVIOUS | LAST |
|---------|----------|-------|
| WEEK | WEEK | YEAR |
| 40.90 | 41.25 | 40.49 |

NATIONAL LIQUID EGGS

Pasteurized whites reported at 32 to 33 cents FOB. Pasteurzied salt yolk noted at 44 to 49.5 cents FOB.

Prices paid cents per lb., FOB Plant to 10:00 AM Friday 30 Jul, 1999 non-pasteurized trucklot. For delivery within 14 days.

| | | | CHANGE FROM | | | |
|--------|-------|---------|-------------|-----------|--|--|
| CLASS | LOADS | RANGE | WTD. AVG. | LAST WEEK | | |
| WHOLE | 18 | 30-38.5 | 36.92 | .99 | | |
| WHITES | 10 | 31-32 | 31.60 | 2.00 | | |
| YOLKS | 6 | 45-50 | 47.33 | 1.33 | | |

EASTERN REGION FROZEN EGGS Prices were mostly unchanged to higher on whole egg, and unchanged on the balance. Trade sentiment was mixed, but generally steady. Demand was usually light. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending July 24, 1999 were 3% less than last week, and 7% less than the same week a year ago. Shell egg supplies were adequate from regular sources.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)

| TRUCKLOTS | LIL (M | IN. 25 |
|-----------------|---|--|
| RANGE | MOSTLY | RANGE |
| 44-49 | 44-46 | 50-54 |
| TFEWR | | 50-65 |
| 38-42 | 40-42 | 43-54 |
| % SOLIDS) 52-57 | 53-55 | 58-64 |
| SOLIDS) 49-54 | 50-53 | 55-62 |
| | RANGE 44-49 TFEWR 38-42 % SOLIDS) 52-57 | RANGE MOSTLY 44-49 44-46 TFEWR 38-42 40-42 % SOLIDS) 52-57 53-55 |

CENTRAL REGION FROZEN EGGS Prices on frozen whole egg and salt yolk ranges up 2 cents, whites range unchanged, sugar yolk range up 1 to 2 cents. The trade sentiment was steady. Trading and demand slow with buyers only purchasing for immediate needs. Buyer and sellers closely watching related shell egg markets. Heavy nest run breaking supplies adequate with lighter weight product readily available.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)

| Т | TRUCKLOTS | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|--------|--|--|--|--|
| | RANGE | MOSTLY | | | | |
| WHOLE | 46-50 | 48-49 | | | | |
| WHITES | 38-43 | 40-42 | | | | |
| SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS) | 53-58 | 56-57 | | | | |
| SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS) | 51-55 | 53-54 | | | | |

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN EGGS Prices 2 cents higher on whole, 1 cent higher on whites, and 3 cents higher on yolks. Southern California breaking activity for the week ending 7/24 was 1% less than the previous week. Breaking stock generally adequate. Demand for frozen was fair for the mostly adequate freezer

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, FOB SHIPPING POINT (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)

| L | IL (MIN. 25 CONT.) |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| | RANGE |
| WHOLE | 53-56 |
| WHITES | 45-48 |
| SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS) | 60-63 |
| SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS) | 57-60 |
| | |

NATIONAL DRIED EGG REPORT Whole egg prices were mostly unchanged, and all other categories were mostly unchanged to higher. The market tone was generally steady. Demand continued light, and centered on immediate needs. Liquid supplies were close to adequate. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending July 24, 1999 were 11% less than last week, and 2% more than the same week last year.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, DOLLARS PER LB., IN CONTAIN-ERS. TRUCKLOT AND LESS-THAN-TRUCKLOT VOLUMES.

| WHOLE | 1.55-1.70MOSTLY 1.55-1.60 |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| YOLKS | 1.30-1.60MOSTLY 1.35-1.45 |
| ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED | 3.20-3.45 MOSTLY 3.30-3.40 |
| BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER | R)1.20-1.30MOSTLY 1.25-1.30 |

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| TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES | WEEKLY (5-DAY) WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL | TRADING FOR 07/23/00-07/20/0 |

| | | | | -KLY (5- | DAY) WEI | GHIED | | PRICES (CE | | , | JNAL IF | KADING | | | |
|-----------|-------|-------|--------|----------|----------|-------|--------|------------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-----|-------|--------|
| CURRENT | | | 114.25 | | | | FUTURE | OADS | | .00 | | | _ | LOADS | 170.25 |
| | ; | SE | | NE | N | ΙW | | | 5 | SC | N\ | N | S | W | |
| CLASS | ORG | DST | ORG | DST | ORG | DST | LOADS | CLASS | ORG | DST | ORG | DST | ORG | DST | LOADS |
| GNR W 1 | 60.25 | 66.75 | 61.40 | 63.38 | 60.00 | _ | 44.00 | GNR W 1 | _ | 68.45 | _ | _ | _ | _ | 16.00 |
| GNR W 2 | _ | 59.00 | 59.80 | 61.20 | 61.00 | 62.00 | 11.00 | GNR W 2 | 63.00 | 64.33 | _ | _ | _ | _ | 5.00 |
| GNR W 3 | _ | _ | 45.50 | 47.00 | 42.67 | 43.20 | 7.00 | GNR W 3 | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 1.00 |
| GNR W 4 | _ | _ | _ | _ | 29.00 | 31.00 | 2.00 | GLWJ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 1.00 |
| GL W XL | _ | _ | 68.25 | 73.01 | 62.39 | _ | 17.50 | GL W XL | 68.80 | 68.00 | _ | _ | _ | 66.00 | 8.00 |
| GL W LG | 76.75 | 71.00 | 68.00 | 69.00 | 60.31 | _ | 10.00 | GL W LG | _ | 72.53 | | 73.50 | _ | 63.80 | 8.50 |
| GL W MD | _ | _ | 26.58 | 28.00 | 26.68 | 27.88 | 20.00 | GL W MD | 29.60 | _ | _ | _ | _ | 35.70 | 4.50 |
| GLWSM | 18.00 | 20.00 | 18.15 | 19.65 | _ | _ | 9.75 | GL BR XL | _ | 66.00 | _ | _ | _ | _ | .75 |
| GL BR XL | _ | _ | _ | _ | 63.00 | | .75 | GL BR LG | _ | 66.00 | _ | _ | _ | _ | 4.75 |
| GL BR LG | _ | _ | _ | _ | 63.00 | _ | 4.75 | | | | | | | | |
| NRBS - 48 | _ | 50.00 | _ | _ | 44.75 | 45.00 | 8.00 | | | | | | | | |
| NRBS - 42 | _ | _ | _ | _ | 26.00 | 28.00 | 6.00 | | | | | | | | |
| NRBS - 39 | 22.17 | 23.33 | 24.25 | 25.75 | 27.50 | 29.50 | 11.00 | | | | | | | | |

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT-MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED. LOAD MOVEMENT REPRESENTS TOTAL MOVEMENT WITHIN 6 REGIONS.

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices were unchanged. Moderate trading and demand for the fully adequate offers. Slaughter schedules at desired levels. Trade sentiment steady.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Trading was too few to report. Demand was light. Offerings were at adequate. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was about steady.

EASTERN LIGHT Prices were unchanged. Demand was light for reduced but ample offerings. Market conditions were steady.

WEST COAST LIGHT Plants worked full schedules. Offerings fully adequate.

LIVE HENS

Cents per pound, generally for slaughter the following week.

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|-----------------------|-----------------|-----|-------------------|
| <u>HEAVY</u> | RANGE | | MAJORITY |
| Southeast Heavy | TFEWR | (1) | |
| Southeast Heavy | TFEWR | (2) | |
| f.o.b. plant | TFEWR | | |
| South Central Heavy | TFEWR | (1) | |
| <u>LIGHT</u> | RANGE | | MAJORITY |
| Eastern Light | 0 | (1) | |
| Eastern Light | 0 | (2) | |
| So. Central Light | TFEWR | (2) | |
| No. Central Light | TFEWR | (1) | |
| No. Central Light | 05 | (2) | |
| (1) Buyer Loading (2 | | | |
| (TFEWR) TOO FEW TO | O REPORT | | |

SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA - WEEK ENDING 30-Jul-99 AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

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|---------------------------------|-----------------|---------|------------------|--|--|--|
| REGIONS | EX LARGE | LARGE | MEDIUM | | | |
| NORTHEAST | 84.95 | 82.58 | 46.71 | | | |
| SOUTHERN | 82.59 | 79.82 | 44.72 | | | |
| MIDWEST | 74.29 | 72.18 | 37.64 | | | |
| WESTERN | 107.15 | 99.49 | 68.68 | | | |
| TWELVE METRO AREAS | 90.33 | 86.02 | 52.43 | | | |
| COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WE | EEKLY AVER | AGES WE | IGHTED BY | | | |
| METROPOLITAN AREA POPUL | ATIONS | | | | | |

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL Prices were slightly irregular when compared to a week earlier. Demand was unaggressive for reduced but fully adequate offerings. Undertone was mostly steady. CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) 24.75-27 MAJORITY 25-26.5

HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS) 33-36 MAJORITY 34-36 CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) 26.5-29 MAJORITY 26.5-27

HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)

33-37.5 MAJORITY 36.5-37

| LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION W/E 24-Jul-99 | | | | | | |
|--|------------------------------------|----------|---------|--|--|--|
| (PRELIMINARY) | U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY | | | | | |
| | LIGHT | HEAVY | TOTAL | | | |
| | HENS | HENS | HENS | | | |
| | | -THOUSAN | DS | | | |
| HEAD | 2,217 | 1,507 | 3,724 | | | |
| LAST WEEK | 1,978 | 1,089 | 3,067 | | | |
| SAME WEEK YR AGO | 2,192 | 1,231 | 3,423 | | | |
| TO-DATE/1999 | 62,846 | 39,396 | 102,242 | | | |
| TO-DATE/1998 | 61,412 | 36,649 | 98,061 | | | |

| U.s | U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA LIGHT HEAVY TOTAL HENS HENS HENSTHOUSANDS | | | |
|--------------------|---|-----------|-----------|---|
| HEAD | 471 | 10 | 481 | |
| LAST WEEK | 506 | 0 | 506 | |
| SAME WEEK YR AGO | 410 | 0 | 410 | |
| TO-DATE/1999 | 14,314 | 174 | 14,488 | |
| TO-DATE/1998 | 16,166 | 239 | 16,405 | |
| SOURCE: AGRICULTUR | E CANADA, PO | ULTRY DE\ | /ELOPMENT | Г |

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

| | LIGHT HENS | HEAVY HENS | TOTAL HENS | |
|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--|
| | _ | IOUSANDS | _ | |
| HEAD | 2,688 | 1,517 | 4,205 | |
| LAST WEEK | 2,484 | 1,089 | 3,573 | |
| SAME WEEK YR AGO | 2,602 | 1,231 | 3,833 | |
| TO-DATE/1999 | 77,160 | 39,570 | 116,730 | |
| TO-DATE/1998 | 77,578 | 36,888 | 114,466 | |

DIVISION

INSPECTED EGG PRODUCTS

| U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary) | | | | | |
|---|-----------------|------------|-------|-------------|--|
| , | Week Ending Jul | y 17, 1999 | Ye | ear-To-Date | |
| Type | 1999 | 1998 /1 | 1999 | 1998 | |
| Liquid | 58 | 108 | 7,961 | 7,464 | |
| Frozen | 0 | 0 | 6 | 50 | |
| Dried | 0 | 0 | 333 | 332 | |
| Total | 58 | 108 | 8,300 | 7,846 | |

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

| | • | • | . , . | • • |
|--------|----------------|---------|-------------|-------|
| | Week Ending Ju | Ye | ear-To-Date | |
| Type | 1999 | 1998 /1 | 1999 | 1998 |
| Liquid | 27 | 36 | 2,318 | 2,322 |
| Frozen | 17 | 1 | 158 | 130 |
| Dried | 0 | 0 | 141 | 225 |
| Total | 44 | 37 | 2,617 | 2,677 |
| | | | | |

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)

| V | leek Ending July | 17, 1999 | Year- | To-Date |
|-------------|------------------|----------|-------------|----------|
| | 1999 | 1998 /1 | 1999 | 1998 |
| Jumbo | | 0 | 0 567 | 782 |
| Extra Large | Э | 400 | 017,713 | 21,327 |
| Large | | 2,454 | 1,32766,800 | 56,711 |
| Medium | | 1,020 | 45027,927 | 32,020 |
| Ungraded | | 14,140 | 2,210300,63 | 1127,795 |
| Misc | | 120 | 1,5203,588 | 5,443 |
| Total | | 18,134 | 5,507417,22 | 6244,078 |

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding. Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division.

<u>**DETROIT**</u> PRICES TO FIRST RECEIVERS, CASES INCLUDED, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, 30 DOZEN CASES, WHITE EGGS LOOSE.

| JUMBO | EX LARGE | LARGE | MEDIUM | SMALL |
|-------|-----------------|-------|--------|-------|
| 78-81 | 69-75 | 67-72 | 31-36 | 21-25 |

<u>IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN</u> PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, LOOSE, AT FARM (CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS).

| LARGE | MEDIUM | SMALL |
|-------|--------|-------|
| 53-55 | 19-21 | 8-10 |

NEW ENGLAND PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CASES

| EXCHANGED, GRA | ADE YIELD BA | SIS, BROWN E | GGS LOOSE, | , A I FARM |
|----------------|-----------------|--------------|------------|------------|
| JUMBO | EX LARGE | LARGE | MEDIUM | SMALL |
| 127-130 | 98-101 | 86-89 | 41-44 | 16-19 |

<u>WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS</u> - SELECTED STGE CENTERS (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

| | FREGS | TURKS | POP |
|--------------|-------|---------|--------|
| | LBS | LBS | LBS |
| AM 26-Jul-99 | 3,695 | 188,351 | 95,497 |
| AM 1-July-99 | 3,057 | 180,335 | 96,237 |
| CHG | 638 | 8016 | -740 |
| PCT CHG | 21 | 4 | -1 |

| MOVEMENT OF E | GGS INTO RET | AIL CHANNEL | <u>.S</u> W/E 24- | Jul-99 |
|----------------|--------------|-------------|-------------------|--------|
| SELECTED CONSU | JMING CW | PW | PERCE | NT CHG |
| CENTERS TH | HOUSANDSTH | OUSANDS | PW | LY |
| ATLANTA | 26.6 | 35.1 | -24 | -14 |
| BOSTON | 5.1 | 5.9 | -14 | -60 |
| CHICAGO | 38.9 | 47.8 | -19 | -8 |
| DETROIT | 22.0 | 27.0 | -19 | -22 |
| KANSAS CITY | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0 | 0 |
| LOS ANGELES | 80.8 | 86.0 | -6 | -2 |
| NEW ORLEANS | 9.6 | 11.0 | -13 | -22 |
| NEW YORK | 37.5 | 35.1 | 7 | -4 |
| ST. LOUIS | 9.5 | 11.2 | -15 | -5 |
| SAN FRANCISCO | 18.3 | 20.3 | -10 | 24 |
| TOTAL | 248.4 | 279.5 | -11 | -9 |
| 4 WK MVG AVG | 273.0 | | | |

<u>COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT</u> FOR W/E 24-Jul-99 (RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

| | CASES | PE | RCENT CH | IANGE FROM |
|--------------|--------------|------|----------|------------|
| REGIONS | (IN THOUS) | PR | EVIOUS | LAST |
| | | | WEEK | YEAR |
| N. ATLANTIC | 2: | 27.9 | 7 | 0 |
| E.N. CENTRAL | 4 | 51.3 | 5 | 7 |
| W.N. CENTRAL | 2: | 26.0 | 10 | 4 |
| S. ATLANTIC | 1: | 90.7 | 1 | -7 |
| S. CENTRAL | • | 70.2 | 0 | -7 |
| WEST | 1: | 93.9 | 1 | -2 |
| TOTAL | 13 | 60.0 | 5 | 1 |
| MATCHED PLAN | TS REPORTING | 94 | 94 | |

NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT, JULY 27, 1999. PRICES PAID PER DOZEN GRADE A BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS DELIVERED STORE DOOR.

| | EXTRA LARGE | LARGE | MEDIUM | SMALL |
|---------------|-------------|---------|--------|-------|
| MAINE | 131 | 119 | 74 | 49 |
| MOSTLY | - | - | - | - |
| NEW HAMPSHIRE | 124-128 | 112-116 | 67-71 | 42-46 |
| MOSTLY | 126-127 | 114-115 | 69-70 | 44-45 |
| RHODE ISLAND | 127-131 | 115-119 | 70-74 | 45-49 |
| MOSTLY | 127 | 115 | 70 | 45 |
| VERMONT | 131-134 | 120-122 | 75-77 | - |
| MOSTLY | 134 | 122 | 77 | |

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USDA ALL PURPOSE EGG MIX PROGRAM

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) today announced that the purchase program under Announcement PY-218 for all purpose egg mix for food nutrition assistance programs has re-opened.

Offers are invited from the trade for all purpose egg mix packaged in plastic laminated foil pouches, 6 ounces (170 g) to each pouch and 18 pounds (8.16 kg) net in each fiberboard shipping container. A purchase unit will consist of 2,000 shipping containers (forty eight 6-ounce (170-g) pouches each) totaling 36,000 pounds (16,329 kg) net weight.

Invitation No. 8, inviting offers due by 1 p.m., Washington, DC time, Monday, Aug. 16, is being issued this week. The invitation will include destinations and estimated quantities for six delivery periods. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Aug. 20, for product to be delivered Oct. 1 to Oct. 15, Oct. 16 to Oct. 31, Nov. 1 to Nov. 15, Nov. 16 to Nov. 30, Dec. 1 to Dec. 15, and Dec. 16 to Dec. 31.

Offerors are urged to carefully read all applicable terms and conditions of USDA-1, as amended, Announcement PY-218, and the Commodity Specification for All Purpose Egg Mix dated April 1998, as amended.